

## Data Source Documentation

<b>Indicator</b>	Immunizations, school-age children
<b>Demographic Group</b>	Wisconsin school-age children (grades K-12)
<b>Numerator</b>	The number of Wisconsin students who meet immunization requirements specified under s.252.04, Wis. Stats. That is, they have been immunized (see details below), are on schedule to be immunized, or a parent or guardian has claimed a waiver of the requirements.
<b>Denominator</b>	All Wisconsin students admitted to any elementary, middle, junior or senior high school (public or private).
<b>Details about Data Item</b>	<p>The Department carries out a statewide immunization program to eliminate mumps, measles, rubella (German measles), diphtheria, pertussis (whooping cough), poliomyelitis and other diseases that the Department specifies by rule, and to protect against tetanus.</p> <p>Any student admitted to any elementary, middle, junior or senior high school or into any day care center or nursery school shall, within 30 school days, present written evidence to the school, day care center or nursery school of having completed the first immunization for each vaccine required for the student's grade and being on schedule for the remainder of the basic and recall (booster) immunization series for mumps, measles, rubella (German measles), diphtheria, pertussis (whooping cough), poliomyelitis, tetanus and other diseases that the Department specifies by rule.</p> <p>Schools report to the local health department the number of students who are fully immunized, "in process" to be immunized or whose parent claimed a medical, religious or personal conviction waiver of the immunization requirement. They also report the number of students who are "behind schedule" or have no immunization record. The total of these categories equals the school enrollment. Local health departments forward the data to the Wisconsin Immunization Program in the Division of Public Health (DHFS) where it is summarized statewide.</p>
<b>Reference Time Period</b>	School year
<b>Data Source</b>	<p>Bureau of Communicable Diseases and Preparedness, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Family Services.</p> <p>Schools report to local health departments in a form prescribed by the Wisconsin Division of Public Health.</p>
<b>Additional Information</b>	Additional information about the Wisconsin Immunization Program for children is available at <a href="http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/immunization/childhood.htm">http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/immunization/childhood.htm</a>

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